

**Weekly Status & Information Report:
Week of July 3, 2006**

1. **Arborist Resigns:** Brett Linkletter has accepted a position with Montgomery County as the Project Manager for Tree Maintenance. His last day of City employment will be July 14. The City will be advertising the position in the near future. In the interim, the arborist's essential duties will be handled by Public Works staff and Keith Pitchford of Pitchford and Associates. *(Public Works)*
2. **Multi-Jurisdiction Cooperation:** A three officer team (Cpl. Smith, Ofc. Fields, and Ofc. Barber) was sent to assist the Montgomery County Police on Friday 7/7/06, in an intensive search and recovery effort along the Northwest Branch, between Colesville Road and New Hampshire Avenue. The labor intensive search included some extremely difficult terrain, and was a valuable experience in multi jurisdictional cooperation, as it included MCPD Commanders and officers, MNCPPC Park Police officers, and the TPD team, as well as other specialized resources. *(Police)*
3. **Snapshots:** The July edition of Snapshots is now available on line at the following link: http://takomapark.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?publish_id=21
This edition includes Meet the New TPD Police Officer, the Police Department Annual Awards, Lee Jordan's Memorial Service, the Central American Mayors Visit, Grand Opening of Phase II of the Community Center and Highlights of the Takoma Jazz Fest. *(Media)*
4. **The City TV Staff at a Conference:** City TV staff are in Boston this week at the Alliance for Community Media Conference where they will receive the awards for Overall Excellence in Government Access, and for Government Profile on the Community Oriented Policing Segment titled "Going To the Dogs." *(Media)*
5. **Police Officer Training:** Sgt. Frishkorn presented training in the use of LIDAR for speed enforcement to the four newest officers in patrol. In the practical exercise portion, more than 100 traffic stops were initiated and warnings written at New Hampshire at Larch and Erskine, on Flower, and at Lincoln and Carroll. (Wards 2, 3, 5 & 6) With this training, all officers are now trained in LIDAR, which employs laser for speed calculation. Additionally, officers conducted 114 traffic stops this week, with 96 ending with written citations. *(Police)*
6. **Police Officer Schedule Changes:** Lt. Richard Cipperly will be on leave July 7 - 17. The Acting Operations Commanders will be Sgt. Richard Bowers until Sunday July 9 and Sgt. Kurt Gilbert Monday July 10 - 17. Changeover for patrol squads has taken place with Squads 1 and 3 (Sgt. Bowers and Frishkorn) on the day shift and Squads 2 and 4 (Sgt. Hammond and Skibicki) on the night shift (8 p.m. to 8 a.m.), which should be considered when trying to reach officers. This schedule will last through August 6, 2006. *(Police)*
7. **CSAFE Meeting:** A/Lt. Collington, D/Sgt. Poole, and Cpl. Smith attended the CSAFE HEAT team meeting on Thursday, 7/6/06 (Ward 6). D/Cpl. John, Cpl. Smith and A/Chief Coursey attended the WACO meeting on 7/6/06 (Ward 3). *(Police)*

8. Police Staff Reassignments: Lakya Cole, who has been coordinating parking tickets and permits, has been re-assigned responsibilities for payroll, daily functions relating to property and evidence, logistics, and requisition processing. These duties were previously handled by Carolyn Pinkard, who has retired from that full-time position; Ms. Pinkard has been re-hired with the Department as a school crossing guard. *(Police)*